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employed at these stations is thorough and effectual. The fact that Russians are shipped by way of Hango in Finland to avoid disinfection at the German frontier is also contributory evidence of value.

There is nothing new in the freight situation at this port.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine Hospital Service.

Report from Southampton.

SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND, *February 12, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that the following vessels were inspected at this port during the week ended February 10: Wednesday, February 7, steamship *Lahn*, of the North German Lloyd Line, bound for New York with passengers and cargo. There were inspected and passed 34 first and 1 second cabin passengers, and no luggage. As directed I procured the surgeon's certificate that no disease, infectious or contagious, had occurred on board since leaving port. Saturday, February 10, steamship *Saint Paul*, of the American Line, bound for New York with passengers and cargo. There were inspected and passed 128 second-cabin and 191 steerage passengers and 67 pieces of large and 228 pieces of small luggage. Five steerage passengers were rejected, 1 for favus, 4 for trachoma. Ten pieces of large luggage were disinfected, composed of bedding.

Respectfully,

W. C. HOBODY,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GERMANY.

Report from Bremen.

BREMEN, *February 12, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith a copy of the abstract of bills of health issued at the port of Bremen during the past week. This vicinity remains free from quarantinable diseases, and the slight epidemic of smallpox at Königsberg is reported as almost at an end. Only 1 case appeared during the past week. An epidemic of influenza is prevailing in Bremen, but as this is a disease for which no official report is required by the city health authorities, I am unable to give the number of cases and the mortality. An examination, however, of the weekly mortality reports for the last few months shows only a slight increase in the death rate, so it is likely that the epidemic is prevailing in a mild form.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH B. GREENE,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Hamburg—Influenza prevalent.

HAMBURG, *February 12, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report for the week ended February 19, 1900: The steamship *Phœnicia*, of the Hamburg-American line, sailed